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. 23 RESTRICTED SECURITY INFORMATION Action Control: 7569 -EUR Rec'd: October 13, 1952 FROM: Moscow 1:16 p.m. Info SS T0: Secretary of State Ü OLI NO: 691, October 17, 7 p.m. CIA ARMY AIR DEPT PASS BONN VOANY; SENT DEPT 691, RPTD INFO BONN 117 FOR AMB NAVY KENNAN P PSB Emb's further immediate reaction to composition new party organs I EMBTEL 685, Oct 17 is that:: TFI IPS (1) Presidium breaks down into four groups: (A) ten members old IBS Politburo; (B) two secys old CC plus chairman old party control comm (respectively, Ponomarenko, Suslov and Shkiryatov); (C) four econ specialists (Malyshev for machine-building, Saburov for planning, Pervukhin for electrical and chemical industries, Kniznetsov for trade unions and six party and ideological specialists) Leningrad party secy Andrianov; Ignatev, who in past has

- been central comit trouble-shooter; (party secy Melnikov; Chelyabinsk oblast party secy Aristov; editor "PROBLEMS OF PHIL-OSOPHY" Chesnokov; Komsomol Secy Mikhailov); (D) and two others, who because of age or status may be more or less honorary members (Kuusinen, who is chairman Presidium of Karelo-Finn Supreme Sov and 71 years old, and Korotchenko, who is chairman UKR Council Mas)
- (2) Candidate-members seem to break down into three groups: (A) three who possess both party and specialist qualifications (Min Light Industry Kosygin, who was member old Politburo; Pegov, who was Chief Light Industry Section old CC; Yudin, who is Chairman Cominform Journal Editorial Board); (B) four specialists (Vyshinsky for Fon Affairs; Zverev for Finance; Tevosyan for ferrous metalurgy; Kabanov, who may be specialist for electrical industry); (C) four party functionaries (Moldavian Party Secy Brezhnev, Krosnodar Krai Party Secy Ignatov, Belorussian Party Secy Patolichev, Kuibyshev Oblast Party Secy Puzanov).
- (3) Secretariat breaks down into two groups: (A) five members old Secretariat (Stalin, Malenkov, Ponomarenko, Suslov, Khrushchev); (B) five new members (Aristov, Brezhnev, Ignatov, Mikhailov, Pegov).
- (4) Shkiryatov has been promoted from deputy chairman old Party Control Comm of which Andreyev was chairman to chairman new comite of party control.
- (5) Moskatov keeps old job as chairman new Central Auditing Comm.

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Perhaps worth noting that of Presidium members other than old Politburo, seven are known to be 50 years old or younger (Ponomarenko, Suslov, Andrianov, Malyshev, Pervukhin, Melnikov, Mikhailov).

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